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Peanut butter recall forces students to toss tainted jars

Tennessee one of several states affected by salmonella bacterium contamination

Sara M. McIntosh

A childhood favorite has now become a topic of concern for people across the country with the confirmation of Salmonella being present in Great Value and Peter Pan brands of peanut butter.

The ConAgra plant in Sylvester, Ga., is the only peanut butter-producing plant for the company and is currently being tested by federal agencies like the Centers for Disease Control and the Food and Drug Administration to determine the root cause for the peanut butter contamination.

According to the CDC, at least 329 people have been sickened by this Salmonella outbreak from 41 states. Some people sickened displayed symptoms from as far back as August of 2006.

"Symptoms of infection include nausea, vomiting, abdominal cramping/discomfort, fever and blood in stools that are usually watery," said Shannon Deal, director of Student Health.

Salmonella is a bacterium that is normally associated with the waste material of poultry and livestock that infects approximately 40,000 people in the United States with about 600 peo-

ple dying from this infection, according to a report by CNN. The consumption of raw or under-cooked meat or eggs are the usual culprits for Salmonella infection in humans.

"Water is a potential source for contamination [of Salmonella]. People need to trust their water source before consuming water. Also, hand washing is important to reduce the risk of infection," said Deal.

The highest numbers of infections reported were in New York, Pennsylvania, Virginia, Tennessee and Missouri, according to the

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Peter Pan and Great Value brand peanut butter is implicated in salmonella contamination from a ConAgra Inc., plant in Sylvester, Ga. Tennessee is one of several states implicated in the recall.

Civil rights leader Bond speaks Thursday

Staff Reports

Civil rights leader Julian Bond will serve as the keynote speaker for the annual UTM Civil Rights Conference and as a participant on the university's Academic Speakers Series program at 7:30 p.m., Thursday, in Watkins Auditorium in the UC.



Bond

"Julian Bond is one of the most significant figures of the Civil Rights movement, a movement that he continues to serve after almost 50 years in the forefront," said Dan McDonough, UTM honors program director. "He is a national treasure."

Bond has served in prominent roles in several organizations dedicated to civil rights. Most prominently, he has served on the board of directors of the NAACP for years and has served as chairman of the board since 1998. He also sits on the board of the Southern Poverty Law Center, an organization which he helped found and served as first president from 1971 to 1979.

A collection of his essays has been published as "A Time to Speak, A Time to Act." His poetry has been published in "American Negro Poetry," and he has published numerous essays and articles in most of the leading American newspapers.

Bond currently serves as Distinguished Scholar-in-Residence at the American University in Washington, D.C., and as a professor of history at the University of Virginia.

His appearance is part of the UTM Civil Rights Conference.

A taste of Italy comes to Martin via coffee



Ed Markin (above left) and his son Erik (right) discuss plans for opening Baroque Dx, a new coffee shop at 117 Lindell St., adjacent to the UTM campus. Above right, artist Lars Vanover paints a stylized portrait of writer Oscar Wilde on the wall of the coffee shop.

"We are looking for a fun, relaxing fit. It's going to be more fun to be here than in the library. In this area, if you're not a get-out-to-the-club or drinking person, you're limited to the locations you can go. We want to change that."



Will York

When Erik Markin graduated from UTM with a finance degree in 2001, he wanted to put his business knowledge to the test. Now, seven years later and with the help of his father, he's poised to open a coffee shop near campus.

Following short stints with Goodyear and in retail banking, Erik and his father and retired naval commander Ed Markin are set to open Baroque Dx Coffee Shop & Cyber Café at 7 a.m. Thursday at 117 Lovelace St., just off the northeast corner of campus. The two haven't set a closing time yet, but they did say the café would be open daily.

After toying with the idea of opening a near-campus coffee shop for about six years, a trip to Sorrento, Italy, last spring catapulted the father-son team's idea to reality. A year later, the pair is learning the difference between Colombian and Costa Rican coffee, installing espresso machines and concocting new coffee drink recipes.

"We saw people having espressos, macchiatos and everything at all these coffee shops in Sorrento and wanted to bring this here," Ed said. "About the only people

doing that in this part of the world are college students."

Ed and Erik discussed bringing a coffee shop to Martin with a Seattle consultant, who shot down the Markins' first two locations and finally settled on the Lovelace Street spot. Despite being a prime near-campus location, there is irony in the Markins' choice. Before sitting vacant for more than two years, the future coffee shop location previously housed another coffee shop and Internet café.

But Ed said he thinks bad business decisions closed the previous coffee shop.

Still, he acknowledged the summer months may be slow for the coffee business because he defines his target market as college students.

"In the summer we'll do other things," Ed said. "We'll offer more iced drinks and plan for business being a little slower."

In addition to offering myriad freshly brewed coffees from varied world locations, the Markins will sell teas, pastries and gifts, as well as host open mics and poetry readings. But what distinguishes Baroque Dx from other Martin spots is its calming ambience.

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Cadillac's owner: Where there's smoke, not necessarily fire

Allie T. Thomas

A Valentine's Day afternoon fire at a local bar and eatery was ruled an electric short, not a fire, leaving Cadillac's closed for a week, said owner Rick Wilson.

"An overloaded socket created heat and friction," said Battalion Chief Bob Dudley of Martin Fire Department's Company C. "When it does that it creates a charge or spark."

This heated the surrounding insulation in the attic of the bar, and smoking was exhausted by Cadillac's patrons, John Brown and

UTM alumnus Eric Taylor with the aid of a fire extinguisher.

The building was then evacuated and a call was placed to MFD. The smoldering had ceased and the MFD assessed damages of \$500, according to the Martin Fire Department report. But Wilson says he has not yet estimated the damage.

Similarly, while the MFD report lists the Feb. 14 incident as a "structure fire," Wilson said no fire took place, calling the incident an "electrical short."

MFD investigators used

camera footage to check for hot spots, but found none.

Additionally, as a result of the damage, the Weakley County Municipal Electric System was forced to replace the electrical meter at the bar.

It took a week to re-wire the building, and while the repairs were in progress, the bar, located at 103 Church St. During those repairs, some employees were not able to work because of the rewiring.

While the electrical short caused visible damage in the bar's attic, there is no visible damage on Cadillac's

main floor, where most commercial activities take place.

The last fire inspection was conducted within the past year, Dudley said.

Cadillac's was not issued a citation for faulty wiring in relation to the incident.

When asked if concerned about losing patrons to other local bars and hangouts, Wilson said he was not concerned about losing business to other nearby establishments.


Insurance was listed with Union City Insurance, but it is not known if all damages are covered.



ALLIE T. THOMAS / The Pacer

Casey Bennett, Cadillac's assistant manager, holds the wire that sparked an electrical socket, which left surrounding insulation smoldering. Cadillac's was closed for a week after the Valentine's Day electrical incident to re-wire the local bar.

TUESDAYWEATHER

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Tomorrow, partly cloudy with a high of 67. Thursday, expect thunderstorms with a high of 73.

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Our View

Editorial: Coffee shop helps city, students

Baroque Dx, a new coffee shop that is opening beside Michael's Steakhouse, will give students a place to hang out. But most importantly, we hope this new coffee shop will foster economic growth in Martin.

The Pacer believes that Martin needs to grow economically in relation to the growing freshman population UTM has every semester. For a long time, Martin and surrounding communities

Baroque Dx promotes economic growth and gives students somewhere to go

more importantly, to stay in Martin after they graduate.

Baroque Dx may not bring 100 new jobs to Martin, but it does give a sense of growth to the community. Not only that, but it's one more reason

why UTM students can't complain that there's nothing to do in Martin.

Students complain that the only thing to do in Martin is watch a movie, walk around Wal-Mart or visit one of the local bars. For people who don't typically do these things, options around Martin are almost none.

Baroque Dx's venture into Martin and UTM life can only help the community. It promotes growth and gives students something to do.

The Pacer has always had a lot of ideas on what businesses would thrive in a college town, and we're glad that we can mark "a coffee shop" off our list.

We just hope that they don't close before our deadline each Monday night.

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Discrimination exists, but it's time for change

Have you ever been walking across campus and smiled at a stranger? Have you ever opened a door for someone that you didn't know and maybe said something pleasant to him or her? If so, then you may be able to identify with my friend Daniel.

Daniel is about 23 years old and has a sort of crooked way of smiling that always makes him look as if he's thinking of fifteen funny things at once and he's about to share them all at the same time. Daniel is the kind of person that you can tell things to and they stay with him. Few things in this world can I tell anyone but Daniel and know for certain these things stop with him.

Daniel is kind-hearted, generous and loving. He opens doors for strangers, steps to the side of elevators for other people and still, on occasion, says "gosh". All in all, I would say that Daniel is one nice guy.

Have you ever known someone like Daniel?

I believe that many of us have known someone like this at one time or another in our lives. I would like to be optimistic and think that through the course of our relatively young lives that we've come across someone we can blanketly call a "Daniel."

If not, then hold out hope that you will meet someone like him, you'll be glad you

did. I know for a fact that I was.

About two weeks ago, I got a very sad visit from a friend. She came to my door and told me, while standing in the freezing cold wind that someone had put Daniel in the hospital with a broken collarbone, one broken rib and a few broken fingers. I couldn't imagine what on this planet could have caused such a thing and my mind was reeling as my friend told me what Daniel had told her.

He had spoken to someone as they were both going into a small store just outside of Louisville, where he lives and the conversation seemed pleasant enough to have consisted of roughly fourteen words, total.

When Daniel came out of the store, the person he'd spoken to had pulled around to Daniel's car and was waiting when he came out.

I asked my friend why this had happened, thinking that maybe the guy Daniel had spoken to had misunderstood something Daniel had said to him. "The guy thought Daniel was hitting on him," my friend told me and I couldn't help but laugh a bit. This was not typical behavior for Daniel. "And for that, Daniel is in the hospital," I asked, incredulous that something like this could happen.

Yes, I asked about police



Christian Ashlar Staff Columnist

involvement and was told there wasn't going to be any part of this story because Daniel didn't get a good enough look at the guy to identify him. After all - it had only been a chance meeting at the door of a convenience store, not a movie-made rendezvous of soon-to-be star-crossed lovers.

A while back, I wrote about what it's like to be a gay man in this country and was greeted with scoffs and was told that discrimination was something "in my imagination."

I was told that things like what had happened to Daniel didn't happen because of this reason and another, but as Daniel is lying in a hospital as I write this, I must beg to differ and I have to use the forum I have to bring behavior to light.

If I say nothing, it would be as if I stood with the stranger and beat my friend for saying hello and being courteous.

Discrimination is a catch phrase in the 21st century. It is a blanket sentiment that people do not believe exists because it isn't as mainstream as it once was. With the advent of political

correctness, discrimination wears many faces and it is directly in front of us at every turn.

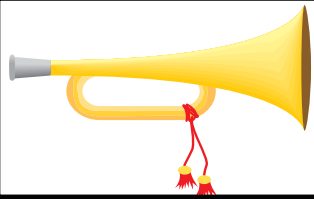
Even though we have made great strides in overcoming the ignorance that infects our everyday society, the virus of stupidity and ignorance still infect, spread and disease even the most clear-minded occasionally.

Discrimination is bred into our country and it's sometimes just easier to say, "It's just the way I was raised," than it is to sit down with yourself and take a hard look at what looks back from the mirror.

The harder part is then to take action to begin to change that sometimes dark soul. Courage comes from taking that first step to action.

Am I "preaching" the message that discrimination is bad? No. I am first saying that it is real. It is alive and living among us on this very campus. Yes, I could point to specifics and back up this statement but no, I won't do that. The discriminatory parties know who they are because it's never a secret to the discriminating.

They're the first to know and they can also be the first to change, but change can only come if one is ready to change and ready to make life-altering decisions.



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UTM GREEK FEST 2007

Fun for a cause

India Dean
Staff Writer

For Greek Fest this year, UTM greeks teamed up to help with two community service projects: Hunters for the Hungry and a recycling drive.

Hunters for the Hungry is a program sponsored by the Tennessee Wildlife Federation and the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency. It was initiated as a joint project among hunger-relief agencies, hunters and state government agencies.

The goal is to feed the hungry in partnership with food banks and soup kitchens across the state. The hunters bring in deer to be processed and then donated. Hunters for the Hungry has collected about 50,425 pounds of meat this year and 300,000 pounds since its revival in 1998. The meat is to provide families in need with a high-protein, low-fat diet.

The Interfraternity Council, Panhellenic Council, and the National Pan-Hellenic Council all agreed to donate a portion of the proceeds from the ticket sales from the events during the week to Hunters for the Hungry. The estimated cost of the processing is \$40 per ani-

mal.

A recycling drive was also initiated during Greek Fest. All the fraternities and sororities were asked to collect recyclable goods, such as paper, cardboard, glass and plastic bottles, and aluminum cans.

After the items were collected they were to be separated in bags and labeled with each organization's name. The drop points were the Recycling Pavilion behind the Agriculture Pavilion and in front of the National Guard Armory. Friday, Feb. 23, was the last day to turn in all the items.

All participating organizations received greek points and the winner was to receive a bonus. The winners were the sisters of Alpha Omicron Pi with 3,741 pounds and the brothers of Sigma Chi with 3,906 pounds of recyclable goods. In total 13,257 pounds were recycled among all the Greeks.

For more information about Hunters' for the Hungry check out the Tennessee Wildlife Federation Web site at www.tnwf.org. For more information on processing, contact Birdwell Deer Processing in Greenfield at 235-0320 or M&G Meats in Palmersville at 822-3106.

Greek Fest at a glance

Heather Roland
News Editor

The 2007 Greek Fest was a huge success according to Greek Life Coordinator Louis Ragsdale.

Greek Fest has been a regular event on the UTM campus since Ragsdale was a greek in 1993. Although it has changed the semester in which it appears in, its purpose has not—to get the greek groups together for fun, competition and charity.

Each year the greeks get together and decide which charity they will sponsor for Greek Fest. This year's consensus was made for the charitable group 'Hunters for the Hungry.'

In previous years, Greek Fest has donated approximately \$4,000 to their charity after all the expenses of Greek Fest are paid.

Ragsdale said that this year's total will not be known until a later date due to Greek Fest activities lasting an additional day longer.

Ragsdale was especially proud of how Greek Fest 2007 turned out.

"I really appreciate the fact that all the greek groups participated in Greek Fest," he said. "Hopefully, we will be able to give a good donation."

Ragsdale said that he was proud that all 19 greek

organizations participated in at least one or more events. He also said that awards were presented to three fraternities and three sororities for having 100 percent participation throughout Greek Fest.

Ragsdale also mentioned that he was proud of the support that was given toward all the greek organizations. He said that even if all greeks did not participate in an event there was a member of each organization there to support the others.

There were several competitions in this year's fest. One of the popular competitions was the Line Dance. Delta Sigma Theta received first place and Best in Show among the sororities, with Chi Omega taking second place. Sigma Chi received first place and Best in Show among the fraternities. The Pikes took second place. For results of the other competitions, see related articles on this page, as well as the Arts & Entertainment section for Lip Sync results.

The overall winners of Greek Fest 2007 were Alpha Delta Pi for the sororities and Sigma Alpha Epsilon for the fraternities.

This year's Greek Fest truly showed the unity and companionship among the greek organizations.

Students of all ages step into competition

Allie T. Thomas
Editorial Assistant

The stage was set this weekend for the bragging rights among greek organizations as they battled for first place honors in the Step Show competition at the Skyhawk Field House.

Coming on stage to the tune of "Back in Black," Sigma Alpha Epsilon stole the show Saturday night and won first place with the barking of their "stage director."

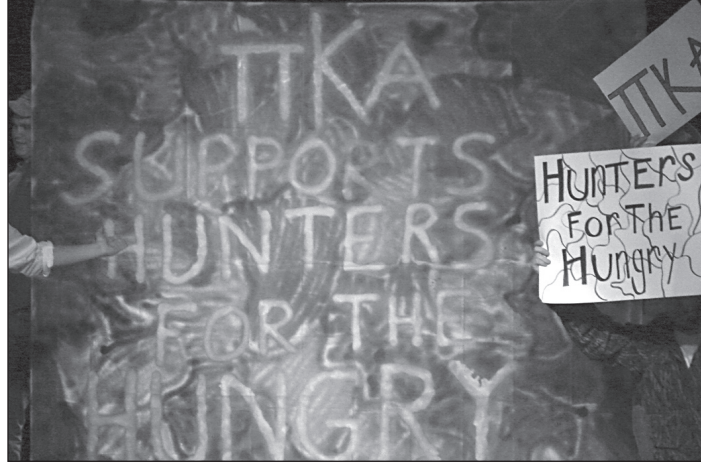
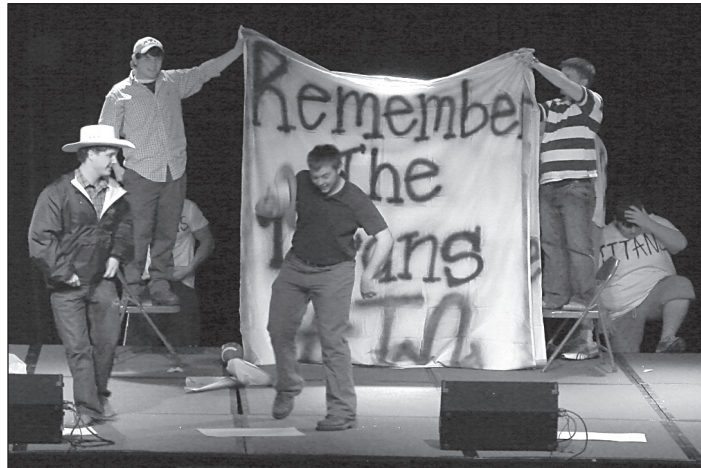
The ladies of Alpha Delta Pi also won first place among UTM sororities with their Vegas-style,

showgirl motif.

Friday night hosted the NPHC Step Show with Phi Beta Sigma winning first in solo competition. Strolling past the graves of other UTM sororities, the stage fog lifted to reveal Alpha Kappa Alpha as the clear winner among the NPHC sororities. Other sororities in competition were Sigma Kappa Row and Zeta Phi Zeta from Tennessee State University.

There were also local high schools in the step show performances.

Congratulations to all performers for a job well done.



Crimestoppers comes to campus


Lucas DuRall
Staff Writer

The UTM Department of Public Safety, in conjunction with Crimestoppers, has developed a new way for the public and students to report crimes via the Internet.

Members of Public Safety are always trying to come up with ways to deter criminals from committing crimes and thinking of how to keep the city and campus safe. They have started a new program that allows you to report a crime or criminal activity without having to come in and file a report. This new technique gives the patron the convenience of filing their complaint over the Internet.

If a person has witnessed a crime or has been observing any reoccurring criminal activity, they can log on to the UTM Web site and report it. To utilize this tool, you first log on to the homepage, go to the Public Safety link, click on “Crime Tips,” and then fill out all the information that is on the form.

One of the best things about this new way of crime fighting is that it is totally anonymous. This way



Public Safety

Anonymous Crime Reporting

Date and Time of Incident:

Location of Incident:

How Can We Contact You? (optional):

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Confidentiality is Respected. You cannot be indentified by using this form. All tips are considered serious and valid.

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anyone that does not want to report criminal activity for fear of getting involved or their name being made public can do the right thing and their name will remain a secret. The only way that the officers would know your name is if you leave your name as a contact but that is totally up to that person.

“This is a great way for people to play a proactive role to help keep their community and campus safe. We must work together as a community to help solve crimes. I think that more people will participate in this method being that their names will remain a secret,” said Scott Robbins, Public Safety director.

“We want to have the safest campus environment as possible and I believe this method aids that plan. We have a safe campus because of the honest and good people we have here on campus and the kind of people we attract to come here,” Robbins said.

If you have any questions about this new method or would like to have further instructions on how to use this or would like to report anything you have witnessed, contact Scott Robbins at 731-881-7775 or by e-mail at sdrobbins@utm.edu.

Help Public Safety help you, by using this new way of crime reporting.

UTM Rotaract Club calls all teddy bears for local donation

Kristin Wiseman
Staff Writer

If you are having a hard time finding an excuse to get rid of some of your stuffed teddy bears in your dorm or room and you are tired of finding them on the floor covered in dust and ignored, then now is the time to let a needy child love them just as much as you have.

The UTM Rotaract Club is conducting a teddy bear drive through March 1 with all proceeds going to local children in need.

“Show us you care and give a teddy bear,” said publicity officer Amanda Hassell. She said they have been working really hard since February 19 and they hope to have a great turn out in the end. They are accepting new and used teddy bears as long as they

are in good condition. You can make a donation at any of these locations: E.W. James in Martin, Gooch Hall, Brehm Hall, Browning Lobby and the UC Help Desk

The Rotaract Club is strictly volunteer work. They donate every penny raised and as much help as they can. You may have participated in the past with their Christmas project when they sent dolls over seas. You may have even noticed the huge Christmas tree in the UC which they decorated, and again donated all proceeds.

The Rotaract Club meets every Thursday. If you need some help expanding your community service portion of your resume, or just feel as if you should give back to the community, then contact Ashley Niven at utmrotaract@hotmail.com

Drop-Off Locations

EW James
Gooch Hall
Brehm Hall
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for more information. Please help a child less fortunate by allowing them to hug and love one of your teddy bears that you do not want anymore.



Police Report

The information contained in this report is taken directly from public records distributed by the UTM Department of Public Safety. DPS can be contacted by calling (731) 881-7777.

7:34 a.m., February 19
UTM

Subject reported receiving harassing messages. Subjects were advised not to have further contact and they were referred to Student Affairs.

1:23 p.m., February 19
Elam Center

Report of a faculty member that had been injured. Subject refused medical assistance.

3:03 p.m., February 19
Student Life

Subject reported missing university property during inventory.

6:54 p.m., February 20
Lot 5

Mr. Marcus Arrington was issued citations for violation of registration and failure to provide proof of insurance. General Sessions Court.

7:34 a.m., February 21
Fine Arts

Subject reported missing university property during inventory.

8:53 a.m., February 21
Gooch Hall

Subject reported missing university property during inventory.

10:34 a.m., February 21
Humanities

Mr. Joseph N. Dye was arrested on warrants through another police agency.

10:10 a.m., Febraury 21
Lot 13

Vehicle was towed due to excessive tickets.

1:32 p.m., February 21
Administration Building

Mr. Brian C. Ruffin was issued citations for red light violation, seat belt violation and financial responsibility law. General Sessions Court.

1:01 p.m., Februray 22
University Courts

Traffic accident involving two vehicles.

9:00 a.m., February 23
Elam Center

Subject reported missing university property during inventory.

9:53 a.m., February 23
Lot 19

Vehicle towed due to excessive tickets.

2:17 p.m., February 23
Lot 10

Vehicle towed due to excessive tickets.

2:35 p.m., February 23
Off-Campus

Subject reported loss of their university keys.

9:03 p.m., February 23
Elam Center

Report of a subject having an asthma attack. Officers and emergency personnel responded. Subject was treated on the scene and refused transport.

10:15 p.m., February 23
Mt. Pelia Rd.

Ms. Debrasha Patrice Boyd was issued a citation for refusing to obey directions of an officer. General Sessions Court.

6:40 p.m., February 23
University Village

Report of a fire alarm sounding. Officer and the fire department responded. It was determined that food had been left cooking. The alarm was reset.

11:21 a.m., February 25
Hurt St.

Mr. Timothy P. Taylor was issued a citation for violation of registration law. City Court.

Campus Bulletin Board

The Pacer provides this space free of charge to campus clubs and organizations that wish to promote events or offerings. Items to appear in The Pacer's "Campus Bulletin Board" section must be submitted at least a week ahead of the event, either by e-mail to pacer_news@utm.edu or by dropping off a flier and press release to 314 Gooch Hall. Preference is given by event date closest to printing and by order received. Please note that submission does not necessarily guarantee printing. Call (731) 881-7780 for more information.

Pacer Meetings

Want to write for the student newspaper? *Pacer* meetings are every Tuesday at 5:15 p.m. in Gooch 316. Come sign up for a story so that you can see your byline in next week's issue of the student newspaper.

Open Forum Bible Study

The Spring Forum is exploring this semester's topic: The Gospel of Salvation & The Power of Christ. Meetings are at 7:30 p.m. every Thursday in UC 209. Everyone is invited to attend these meetings.

BeanSwitch

BeanSwitch meetings are held every Thursday at 5:15 p.m. in HU 209 (writing center). All are welcome to attend.

Join Psi Chi

If you are a psychology major or minor with an overall GPA of 3.0 and a psychology GPA of 3.2, then consider joining. As long as you have had 9 hours of psychology classes and you are

currently enrolled in a psychology class, then you are in! Pick up an application in the psychology department at the end of the hall on the third floor.

Spades Tournament

There will be a SAC Spades Tournament at 7 p.m. on February 27 in the Student Life Center. Registration will be held at 6:30 p.m. There will be free snacks and drinks. Prizes will be given. 1st place: \$150; 2nd place: \$100; 3rd place: \$50. Those who place in the Top 10 get poker hats.

Sigma Chi Informative

Sigma Chi Fraternity will have an Informative meeting at 5 p.m. on February 27 in UC 229. Come learn about Sigma Chi at UTM.

Career Information Session

TOP Atlanta presents Career Information Session from 1-5 p.m. on February 28 in Humanities 413. This session will be specializing for Japanese Language Speakers. Please bring your resume. If you are interested in Japanese-related business in the

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Pottery Sale

There will be a Visual Art Society pottery sale on Wednesday, February 28 and Thursday, March 1 in Gooch Hall from 10-4 p.m. and in the UC from 12-2 p.m. The pottery is made by David McBeth, and everything is \$10.

Upcoming Campus Interviews

Shelby County Schools, Feb. 28. Positions: K-12 Teachers, Special Education, Counselors. Degree: Education (Teacher Certification Eligible). Locations Available: Suburban Memphis (Collierville, Germantown, Arlington, Millington).

For more information or to schedule an interview, please contact Employment Information Services, 215 UC.

Campus Wide Career Day

There will be a campus wide carrer day on Thursday, March 1, from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. in the UC. There will be information on careers available. You will be able to meet employers face-to-face, ask questions about careers, internships, summer jobs and full-time positions. There is something for everyone. Career Day is sponsored by UTM Employment Information Services.

Introduction to Acting

This class is meant to help you discover the actor within yourself. Learn to channel your emotional states, past experiences and present-day knowledge into the creative, sometimes-exciting and often therapeutic art of acting. This class will deal with more complex ways of developing acting skills and learning to develop new ones. This class takes place on Tuesdays and Thursdays on Feb. 8-March 20 from 5 p.m. until 7 p.m. The costs is \$45. Christian Ashlar is the instructor. Ashlar is a UTM student with 15 years of acting experience, including seven

Vanguard productions and "Shakespeare in the Park."

The Groove

Get into "The Groove" with a different kind of worship experience. There first meeting will be at 9 p.m. on March 4 in the Watkins Auditorium. Check us out at www.myspace.com/crosswindchurch.

Auditions

Auditions will be held for the Student Director's Showcase at 7:30 p.m., March 5-6 in 235 Fine Arts Building. It is open to all. Scenes will be provided for cold readings. Prepared monologues are optional.

Applications Due

Get your applications now for the Undergraduate Alumni Council at the UC Information Desk, Student Life Center or Alumni Relations Office 314 Administration Building. Deadline is Friday, March 9.

Got an item for Bulletin Board? E-mail it to pacer_news@utm.edu.

Life on fault line means be prepared

Heather Roland
News Editor

Disaster preparedness is a mixed bag for many West Tennesseans.

For example, Severe Weather Awareness Week ended this weekend with a tornado watch, but little truly severe weather occurred in the region. Most residents can easily tell you the proper precautions for you to take if you are under a tornado warning — go to the lowest level in your house or the center-most room, grab a blanket to cover up with, and duck and cover your head.

This is the type of natural disaster that Martin and other areas in the region prepare for, said Martin Police Chief David Moore. However, the region faces one natural phenomenon that it is not prepared for — an earthquake.

In the Feb. 20 edition, *The Pacer* discussed part of an earthquake town meeting that was held recently in Obion County, as well as how Martin and Weakley County would react if such a disaster were to occur. This week, *The Pacer* concludes the town meeting, as well as offers tips on how to be prepared in the event of a massive earthquake.

In these types of emergency situations, Moore said, “communication is key.”

Officials hope that communications will not be destroyed in the event of a massive earthquake. Depending on the severity of the quake, communications could be destroyed in several areas, including towers and underground cables. This would dismantle communication via cell phones and land lines, and limit radio capabilities. Moore said that if major communication



HEATHER ROLAND / The Pacer

The last massive earthquakes that occurred along the New Madrid fault line were in 1811-1812. Reelfoot Lake was formed as a result of those earthquakes.

damage were to occur, the primary lines of communication would be via satellite, which requires federal assistance.

Emergency services would respond in this emergency as best as they could, Moore said. Although they would face many challenges, such as downed bridges and lack of communication, they would still work to serve as many people of the area as possible.

“It’s a fear [having responding difficulties], living this close to the New Madrid fault line, that all emergency services have,” Moore said. “It’s frustrating dealing with something you can’t prepare for.”

Right now, EMA Director Mike George wants to establish better connections with TEMA and tell the state government what the county needs.

“I hope by education that we can benefit from all of this,” George said. “We want to be a lot further ahead than we are now.”

Another big concern at the Obion County meeting was about the county’s gas

lines.

A Shell pipeline runs across Obion County and carries about 2.5 million barrels of oil daily. Other major gas lines also run through the county.

George said that these pipelines have sensors on them that would shut off the lines if a large earthquake were to occur. Individuals also were encouraged to purchase seismic valves for their homes that would shut off their gas in the event of an earthquake. This would help prevent explosions, fires and other dangers. The important thing to remember is that you should not turn off your gas valve if you don’t know how or if you don’t have a seismic valve, George said; officials do not want you to get hurt.

While earthquakes can be intimidating, it is definitely possible to survive a large earthquake, as well as for your home to remain habitable.

If an earthquake occurs, get under something sturdy and hold onto its base or leg to ensure that it does

not fall over. If you cannot get under something sturdy, get in the doorway or corner of a room. The studs of the building will help protect you. Also, try to protect your head as much as possible. Another important thing to remember, officials said, is to not run outside. Staying in one place and trying to seek shelter is more helpful than trying to run outside.

Dr. Steve Horton, a U.S.G.S. scientist, said the most common problems with houses during an earthquake are that they shift off their foundations. He also said that single-family homes tend to be better in sustaining damage, and that homes are more flexible if they have a wood frame.

“Not everything is going to fall down,” Horton said. “It is not going to be complete devastation. Make sure you prepare yourself, however.”

Union City Police Chief Joe Garner agreed: “The ones who prepare the best do the best in a disaster.”

Recall: Continued from Cover

CDC.

Previously, Australia had the only other reported case of Salmonella in peanut butter. In that incident, it was determined that the unsanitary conditions of the plant were the root cause for the contamination, according to CNN.

The FDA has said that the amount of peanut butter being returned in the voluntary recall is “high” and that consumers should pay attention to the serial numbers beginning with “2111” on the suspected jars.

On the UTM campus and surrounding areas, there have not been any confirmed or reported sicknesses due to the contaminated peanut butter. One student, who asked to remain anonymous, believes she was infected whenever she consumed peanut butter with others who have been sick in Illinois; however, she was never told of her being infected by doctors and doesn’t believe she was tested for the infection.

“I don’t think they took me seriously because it takes about 10 days for the virus to

get out of your system. I had major cramping and nausea and was given antibiotics and sent home,” said the student.

One important thing to consider, according to Deal, is that there is a stomach virus going around the campus that shares similar symptoms to those of Salmonella infections as do “common viruses.” Anyone believing that they are infected with Salmonella, either from the suspected peanut butter or other foods, as well as sharing symptoms that are stomach-flu in nature, should see Deal at Student Health.

The Pacer contacted Save-A-Lot, E.W. James & Sons and Wal-Mart to get estimates for the amount of peanut butter removed from shelves or returned to the stores but the figures were unavailable at press time.

Anyone having the suspected peanut butter with the “2111” product code is advised to return the jar, used or unopened, to the store of purchase for a full refund, according to a statement issued by ConAgra foods.

Coffee: Continued from Cover

Inspired by a London book shop, the Markins employed Lars Vanover, a Virginia Beach, Va.-based artist, to paint murals and portraits in a Baroque theme. With portraits of Baroque and Romantic era writers, artists and musicians lining the walls, the Baroque Dx uses warm earth tones to convey a rich, calming feel.

“We are looking for a fun, relaxing fit,” Erik said. “It’s going to be more fun to be here than in the library. In this area, if you’re not a get-out-to-the-club or drinking person, you’re limited to the locations you can go. We want to change that.”

The Markins completely gutted the building, which they are renting from the Michael’s Steakhouse owners with an option-to-buy provision, and are adding a 500-square-foot deck to the back entrance. Right until their doors open, the Markins are putting finishing touches on their shop.

“You wake up in the night dreaming the weirdest things,

and realize it’s just another coffee dream,” Erik said, noting that the café’s upcoming opening has consumed most of his thoughts lately.

Baroque Dx is buying most of its beans from the Nashville-based Bongo Java Roasting Co., which supplies fair-trade, organic coffee to several regional clients.

Erik said the coffee shop would like to coordinate its efforts with the university, not only by hiring students and offering a student scholarship, but also by cosponsoring events and poetry readings.

While the Markin duo said the learning curve may be steep for students and Martin residents concerning coffee and its associated jargon, they plan to host trivia events and games for school students on what makes an Americano—a drink with equal parts espresso and hot water—different from a Ristretto, an espresso drink made with less water, for instance.

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After 22 years, Starwood Amphitheater is no more

Brad Hadley
Staff Writer

“Starwood has officially closed its doors. Thanks for 22 great years and your loyalty to us for your summer experience” and “Charlie Daniels Volunteer Jam has been cancelled. Please return to point of purchase for a refund” signs were in bold lettering February 13 at the site of the former Starwood Amphitheatre according to www.livenation.com.

The decision to close the theatre came after a confirmed buyer for the 65-acre Starwood surfaced. The buyer is a company not in the entertainment industry. This will more than likely mean the venue will never re-open.

Starwood Amphitheatre was the primary outdoor music venue in the Nashville area from 1985 to the present. Located in the Antioch, the amphitheatre featured one large stage, a covered pavilion with reserved box seating, and an open-air grassy area for general admission seating. At the top of the large grassy area was a much smaller stage located near the venue’s north entrance and usually featured local bands entertaining the audiences as they entered the amphitheatre. During the larger music festivals such as popular Ozzfest, they would tem-

porary put up a third stage that was built in a fenced-in area that would normally be used as a parking lot.

The venue was first introduced to Nashville in 1985, however, since its opening ,Starwood had its up’s as well as its down’s. In 1999 the outdoors venue was bought out by First American National Bank, changing the name to the First American Music Center. For five years the name stayed until it merged with AmSouth Bancorporation. In 2001 the name was once again changed, this time it was named AmSouth Amphitheatre. After the five-year deal with the name rights, and not being able to find a suitor, in 2004 it reverted back to its original name, Starwood. The 2006 year only grossed 4.6 million dollars and drew 183,630 people for just 16 shows, lacking consistency and falling short of expectation, according to the Billboard.

Starwood was a great location for many around the Mid-South, booking shows like Ozzfest, 102.9 “The Buzz” local Buzzfest and many other acts like Cold Play, Dave Matthews Band, KISS, and other top-rated artists. Ozzfest was slated to come to Starwood this summer for a free show. Other shows like the Charlie Daniels Band and the Volunteer Jam Band were also booked for the upcoming season; however, they

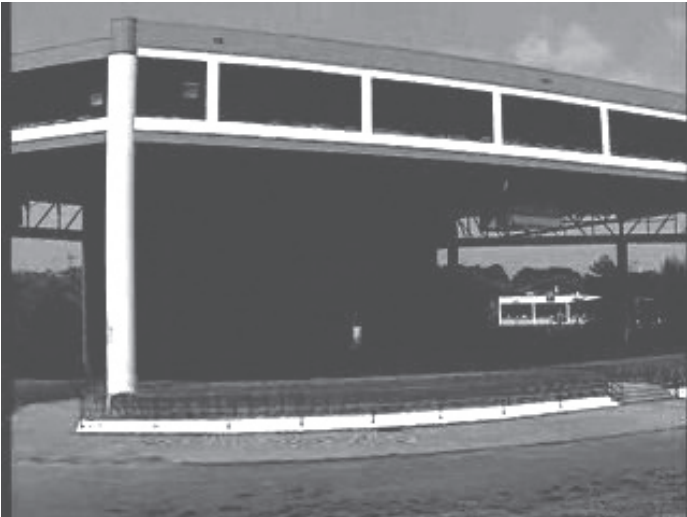
canceled after hearing the news as well.

“It was a nice place, I enjoyed going to concerts there” said Katie Wyatt, a Child and Family Studies major from Jackson. Although being an old structure some may blame the closing on Starwood’s age and size, calling it a “first-generation” outdoor venue that was only about two-thirds the size of the ones being built today and one that lacked fan base, therefore not able to attract the top-tier artists who demand larger, more modern performance venues.

Since the closing of Starwood we have to look toward the future of entertainment in Nashville, we still have the Gaylord Entertainment Center.

“I liked the grass seating, it gave it a Woodstock feeling” said UTM Bookstore Director Sam Covington.

“I think that it is ridiculous that something with such major significance in Tennessee entertainment and history be made



Courtesy of WKRN.com

Starwood Amphitheater of Nashville, home to outdoor events such as Buzzfest and Ozzfest, has officially closed its doors.

into a subdivision or another mall” said Kaylis Magras an International Studies major from Brentwood.

To those local artists who hit it big at Starwood, like Nashville’s own Ligion, we’re sorry. This landmark will be a great loss for many in Nashville and around Tennessee.

Greeks shake, rattle, roll for Hunters for the Hungry

Jenny Perry
Staff Writer

The theme for this year’s Lip Sync event during Greek Fest was “Soundtracks.” The event was held last Thursday in Skyhawk Field House.

Masters of ceremonies were Zeta Tau Alpha member Rachel Moore and Sigma Alpha Epsilon member Ryan McCormick.

The brothers of SAE walked away with a first place trophy and a Best of Show trophy, after a show-stealing performance, which had a theme of “Movie Soundtracks.” They did a Top 10 count-down of movie soundtracks, with No. 10 being “What is Love” from the movie “A Night at the Roxbury,” to No. 1 as “Shout” from the movie “Animal House.” They also included soundtracks from the movies “Grease,” “Footloose,” “The Little Mermaid,” and “The Bodyguard.”

Coming in second in the fraternity division was Sigma Chi. They did a variety of soundtracks from movies and television shows, like “Old Time Rock-N-Roll,” from “Risky Business” and the theme song from “Friends,” “I’ll be There For You.” They ended their performance with a “Shrek” melody.

The sisters of Alpha Omicron Pi won

first place and Best of Show. They danced to songs from the “Austin Powers” movies, such as “Secret Agent Man,” “These Boots are Made For Walking,” and “Just the Two of Us.” They had a wonderful remake of the “Austin” and “Mini Me” characters. They ended the show with signs that said things like “donate, recycle, support, give” and then “AOII supports Hunters for the Hungry.”

Second in the sorority division was Chi Omega. They also stuck to soundtracks from one movie, “Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory.” They had a backdrop of the chocolate fountain and Oompa Loompas running around stage. Every child from the film was represented and they had a character version of the old Willy Wonka and a new Johnny Depp version. They ended their show with a sign that said “Chi Omega supports Hunters for the Hungry.”

“When I think about Lip Sync the quote ‘Half the fun is getting there’ comes to mind. Lip Sync is just an all-around good time for greek organizations to come together and have fun. Even though we didn’t walk away with a trophy, we still walk away with priceless memories with our sisters that will never be forgotten,” said Alpha Delta Pi member Jana Ogg.

The sisters of Zeta Tau Alpha were set



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The sisters of Chi Omega perform skits from “Willy Wonka” at this year’s Lip Sync.

and ready to participate in this event, until moments before the show when their backdrop broke. They did not have time to fix it, so they withdrew from the event.

Lip Sync was a great event that raised

money for a great cause, along with all the other Greek Week events. The members of all the greek organizations that participated gave a great show. Their efforts do not go unnoticed; they put time and effort into helping a great cause.

Sixteen Minutes: Part VI



Stephen Outten
www.StephenOutten.com

Anna couldn’t believe it was James. She had just about given up on seeing him again, but here he was, billowing out the blanket for them to sit on as they ate. He had packed several cold sandwiches of various sorts, sodas in a cooler, chips, some chilled fruit, and a box of Godiva truffles for dessert.

“This looks amazing,” Anna said, falling Indian-style to the floor.

“I planned it all for you,” James replied, pouring the soda into two fluted glasses.

“Why? Not that I’m not happy, but you barely know me.”

“I know. Consider it a thank you, for not sending me to jail.”

Anna looked over her shoulder. “Well, you seem to be on pretty good terms with the police.”

James smiled to himself.

“What is it?” Anna asked.

“I have a confession to make: the officer that brought you today, the same one who was going to arrest me – he’s a deacon in my church.” James started laughing. “We go way back.”

“You jerk! So I didn’t really do a thing?”

“Sure you did. You saved his fingers from paper cuts. Had I been arrested, that

would have been a lot of red tape to go through to dismiss the charges.”

“Glad I could help,” Anna murmured, fake-pouting.

“Here,” James passed her a glass. “To you.”

She thought about it for just a moment. “To me!”

Their glasses clinked, echoing under the arches of the trees.

The train station had emptied, the remaining passengers dissipating out into the night. Anna had finished her soda long ago; now she was staring out over the tracks, her mind far and away.

“Do you ever miss him?” Ethan asked.

It took her a moment to respond. She nodded. “We had some good times. Some really great times, even.” She visibly shook her shoulders as if throwing off her sudden sadness. “So what are you doing tonight?”

Ethan had big plans to clean the fridge.

“Not a thing.”

“Good. You’re coming with me.”

“Where are you going?”

“We’re going to a party a friend of mine is throwing in Manhattan. I’ve had enough talk of depressing things, and I don’t want to go alone.”

“Will you finish telling me your story later?”

But Anna had risen from her seat and made her way over to the ticket office. “Two tickets to Grand Central Station.” She tilted her head towards Ethan. “And they’re on him.”

Indie Watch: Bringing you the FYI on bands you might not have heard of

Jay Baker
Asst. News Editor

Cute Is What We Aim For – Recently picked up by Fueled by Ramen, these guys have just launched a new album, “The Same Old Blood Rush With a New Touch.” They have a unique sound that is somewhat reminiscent of Panic! At the Disco, but is at the same time entirely different. Check out “Newport Living,” for a good sample of their sounds.

Sounds Like: Panic! At The Disco ... sort of

Boy Kill Boy – While some are saying the post-punk scene has overstayed its welcome, Boy Kill Boy is defiantly good with their latest release, “Civilian.” Their bright, energetic, brash Brit pop sound is combined with clever lyrics which are appropriately matched to the song’s mood. Check out “Suzie” and “On and On.”

Sounds Like: The Kaiser Chiefs and The Rakes

Nine Black Alps – This UK Indie rock foursome pumps out fitting riffs and great lyrics with both their U.S. self-titled EP and their earlier debut album, “Everything Is,” which has since been released on our side of the pond. While most of their stuff makes for great rock, some of their tracks, namely “Behind Your Eyes,” have a great folk sound to them. Check out “Unsatisfied” and “Shot Down.”

Sounds Like: Portastatic and Staggering Statistics

Oxford Collapse – Oxford Collapse manages to fuse the best of the synth pop scene and the stranger parts of the Indie rock scene into something that is sometimes strange, sometimes moving but always somehow visceral. Their most recent release, “Remember the Night Parties,” is a great smattering of Indie sound that is a culmination of their earlier work with a few new twists. Check out “Please Visit Your National Parks” and “Loser City.”

Sounds Like: ??? you’ll just have to find out

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Musicians, iTunes partner up to help fight AIDS in Africa

Jenny Perry
Staff Writer

The band Hanson, made up of brothers Isaac, Taylor and Zac, which are famous for their 90's hit "Mmm Bop," took a trip to South Africa and were inspired to help the country with their AIDS epidemic.

"The moment that sparked our journey to Africa came when friends of ours from a Tulsa medical firm were donating technology to a South African hospital to help fight the spread of HIV/AIDS," said Isaac in an interview on the band's Web site, www.Hanson.net. "We were so moved by their example that we were compelled to take action."

Hanson stayed at an orphanage in Mozambique and was awed by the overwhelming sense of optimism of the people they met, despite being surrounded by disease and poverty. "We began planning our trip to Africa and certainly the AIDS crisis was in the forefront of our minds, but I think it was the message of hope that led us to Africa," Taylor stated in a press release. The trip led them to see how big the AIDS epidemic really was and how it could be conquered on different levels.

They have released "Great Divide," a charity single which is available now as an iTunes exclusive. The

single was released on November 28, to honor World AIDS Day. The song sends a powerful message of a cause they fully embrace. Isaac states, "The song gives hope and ability to people to realize little things go a long way." Parts of the song were recorded before their trip to Africa, but "After coming back from Africa, the song came to life. The 'Great Divide' was one of the first songs recorded for the record. We always knew it would play a crucial role in the album, but we did not realize to what degree," said Isaac.

Hanson stated in a press release "We were recently in Africa to see for ourselves the extent of the HIV/AIDS crisis and to work on ideas to help enact a solution. We were inspired by some amazing people including the doctors and nurses at the prenatal HIV Research Unit in Soweto. With the help of a local South Africa choir and a choir in Mozambique we recorded the song "Great Divide." We hope you'll listen to the song, watch the video and help save some lives by doing something as simple as downloading the song from iTunes or buying the t-shirt. All our proceeds from these sales will go to the PHRU (hospital) in Soweto."

After the trip the lyrical content became so much more relevant and real to Hanson. The song is about

conquering something big, but they never expected it would be this big of a challenge to conquer; which is inspiring for them.

All proceeds from the song will go to the Elizabeth Glaser Pediatric AIDS foundation, an African organization working to prevent mother-to-child transmission of HIV.

"The thing I was struck by from all of those kids in Africa, and really the adults too, but largely the kids, was that there was a sense of hope, literally, and a sense of conquering the circumstances they were in. It is so consistent within the country," said Isaac.

Hanson is doing what they can on a personal level and as a band to stop this epidemic in Africa. They want to stop so many kids from being born with the virus and being orphaned by the disease. They know that it might not be possible to find a cure, but they can help others from getting it. Hanson realizes that this is a huge goal, but it is very obtainable to them and they are willing to stick with the cause for a long time.

"We felt like we left Africa with a message we could relate to others – the understanding that you already possess something that can help in the fight against AIDS," Taylor says in a release from their publicist. "It can be as simple as spending 99 cents on a

song, or buying formula for an infant so she won't contract AIDS from her mother. It doesn't mean we must all go to Africa. It means we all have a role to play. We should be asking 'Are we doing all we can?'"

They are eager to show that problems get solved by individuals doing what they can to make a difference. Hanson believes that by listening to the song, people are introduced to the issue. Hanson's goal is to make people aware and encourage them to actively commit to the cause.

Isaac said "We have a lot of plans to return to Africa soon, which we cannot really talk about right now, but the 'Great Divide' is merely the tip of the iceberg for us. This is not something we are going to do and move on. We feel the need to dedicate years or decades of our lives to this cause, because it is really important and a lot of things can be done. The doctors that we have met and been working with, have been able to reduce the mother-to-child transmission to only two percent. So, 98 percent of these kids will be living without this virus, which is an amazing milestone."

The single is on their fourth Indie album, titled "The Walk." For Hanson, this album is looking at the state of the music industry and their community. "The Walk is the walk of life," Zac

says in a press release about their new album. "People make decisions to go for their dreams, to do something difficult, or they decide to be part of the crowd that watches. You have to make those decisions by yourself." This album will be released sometime this spring.

Their last album "Underneath" was released on the Billboard Independent

Chart at No. 1 and on Billboards Top 200 at No. 25, making it one of the most successful self-released albums in history.

Hanson wants the college communities to pick up on the song.

For more information go to iTunes, or www.Hanson.net.

Foreign Film series brings Mexico to Martin

Ekaterina Marchenko
Staff Writer

Modern Foreign Languages Department is adding something extra this semester to the usual Foreign Film Series program. A couple of classic, culturally educational Mexican films have already been shown last week in Watkins Auditorium.

Dr. Daniel Nappo, Interim Chair in the Department of Modern Foreign Languages, is currently in charge of the program. Nappo had been teaching a Mexican Cinema course last semester, which covered an extensive history of Mexican movie-making from the earliest sound films to the present-day theatre.

"Many people do not know that Mexico has an extremely rich national cinema and I wanted to share a small part of it with other students and members of the UTM community," Nappo said.

Additionally, a foreign classic is something that you can not see on a regular basis in a typical American movie theatre. Therefore, Nappo is considering showing some classics of other nationalities like French or Japanese sometime in the near future.

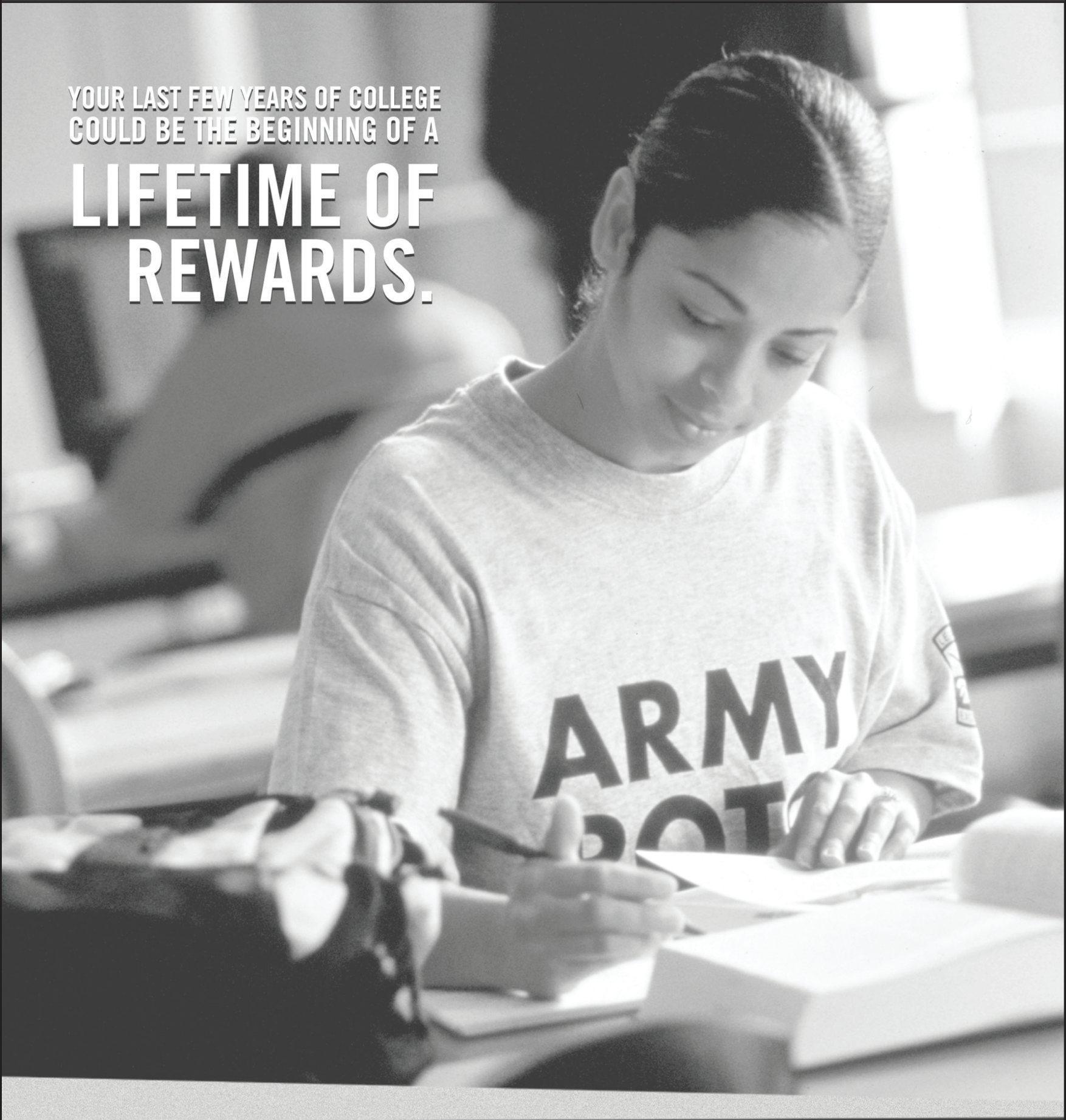
"I think the best option is to offer some during the week, but the majority on Friday evening. Another thing I'd like to do is organize a discussion of each film after its showing. This could perhaps be done in a lounge in the UC, or perhaps in another place," Nappo said.

As far as criterion for selecting films goes, the department's decisions remain broadminded. Of course audience interest remains a primary consideration.

"We are a very active department. I believe that we try to teach languages as actively, and from as many different angles – music, speakers, discussions, films – as possible," Nappo said.


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From the Geek Corner

‘Learning curve’ meant to be fun, not frightening

Modern technology has one of the largest learning curves of any field of interest or study.

This is largely because of its ever-changing nature: so many new products come out in any given period of time that a person hardly has time to learn how to use the one or two he or she owns before the technology has been updated. This makes technology fun and exciting, but also contributes to a cutthroat mentality.

However, people all over the world have shown that the learning curve can be overcome by anybody willing to try.

Case in point: A couple of weekends ago my girlfriend and I were faced with a task of almost herculean proportions. We were to convince her grandfather that he needed to buy an Apple desktop or laptop to replace his dead PC running Windows 2000 which he had used for years.

Could we do it? Was he dedicated to Windows, or could we show him the best of both sides of the computer market?

Fortunately, we both know the subject matter and potential buyer very well. Our approach needed to feel less like we were salepeople and more like concerned friends. In the end, we sold him the pros and cons of buying a Mac versus getting a PC with the shiny new Windows Vista operating system, and I’m proud to announce that soon



Matt Cook
Technical Editor

he will be a happy Mac owner.

This is just one situation demonstrating the learning curve (in this case, lack of knowledge about different operating systems) associated with technology.

Some children who have never seen a book will be introduced to computers before they ever see the written, published word.

Take, for another example, the difficulty of bringing computers and the Internet to impoverished nations. Some children in these nations who have never seen a book will be introduced to computers before they ever see the written, published word. Is that scary to you or exciting?

Then there are nations, as I mentioned last week, who are skipping land-based telephone systems and going straight to cell phones in large numbers. Once again, does this demonstrate landline phone’s uselessness or just the advent of a new technology replacing the old?

Does the modern technology learning curve separate the “haves” from the “have nots” or does technology, at the end of the day, contribute more to globalization than any other factor?

As I like to say so very often when pondering technology, only time will tell.

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Bubbl offers a great way to collaborate on group projects visually. Bubbl lets you and your classmates collaborate on projects by creating visual flow charts in a slick flash presentation. It’s great for brainstorming, since you can keep track of all the ideas your group comes up with in a clean, easy-to-use presentation. Better yet, they won’t disappear when you erase the whiteboard or lose your notes.

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Gearing up for Showcase

Annual ITS event set for March 6

Jenny Perry
Staff Writer

UTM’s Information Technology Services will be hosting the sixth-annual technology showcase on March 6, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., in the UC. This event is open to the public and free of charge. The showcase will include computer vendors, prizes and faculty displays.

The showcase will let members of UTM and surrounding communities exchange ideas and view model examples of the latest industrial technology.

Computer vendors including Microsoft, Apple, Dell, Gateway, Toshiba and Howard Computers will be there to display and demonstrate their best products and showcase the campus’s latest technology.

A few featured faculty presenters – who will be selected by Technology Showcase Committee – will also be included. The faculty presenters will have a 45-minute time slot to present ways they use technology in the classroom in the Legislative Chamber.

All presenters will be available to display and demonstrate their materials.

“The Technology Showcase gives us the opportunity to show the campus and the local community the things that our faculty members and departments are doing in and out of the classroom in regard to technology,” said Steve Holt, the director of UTM Instructional Technology Center and



Photos courtesy of Steve Holt



(Top) Dr. Lynn Alexander, left, watches as a representative from Dell Computers demonstrates a Dell laptop and projector. (Bottom) Mike Abney, left, talks with other representatives at the 2006 ITS Technology Showcase.

Web Services.

“We feel that UT Martin is on the cutting edge of learning in higher education, and this event will

show you exactly what we are doing.”

For more information, contact the Instructional Technology Center at [itc@](mailto:itc@utm.edu)

utm.edu or 731-881-7877.

—Matt Cook contributed to this report.

GPS units: Shapes and sizes available for all

Thomas Fulcher
Staff Writer

Ever find yourself driving around in circles for that place which was supposed to be “right there”? Hate pulling over to ask the gas station attendant for directions? Well, there is a little gadget that is becoming more and more popular which might just be the answer for all your navigational needs.

A Global Positioning System Receiver, commonly referred to as a GPS, is a small device which can tell you exactly where you are anywhere on the planet. In the 1970s the U.S. Department of Defense created a network of 24 satellites which orbit the earth and transmit information back to a GPS receiver.

The GPS works by obtaining a signal from at least three of these satellites; then it uses the signals to calculate its exact position on the earth’s surface. The satellites are set in an exact orbit about 12,000 miles above the earth, so at any given time, from anywhere

in the world a GPS receiver has a line of sight to at least four of them.

The Department of Defense originally created the system so that military units could keep track of their exact location and navigate more precisely, but the government soon after made the technology available to everyone.

Today GPS technology is used by organizations, companies and people across the globe. The technology can be used to track anything from airplane flights to semi-trucks. The captain of a ship at sea no longer has to look up at the stars to plot a course; the GPS tells them everything they need to know. A surveyor on the ground can find property lines in instants with a fraction of the work it once took.

So people can use GPS technology for a number of different uses all over the world, but how does this affect you as students? Today there is a multitude of affordable products out there for the everyday life of practically anyone.

If you are the outdoors type you might be interested in a handheld GPS model with maps that come pre-loaded and have the option of adding more maps to the GPS, as well as saving points along the trail so you can find your way back.

Some models can calculate distances and track your speed – this way when you are out hunting or hiking you will never have to wonder how far you have come or where exactly your objective is.

Of course almost all students, from time to time, would love to have a map in their vehicles that could give them precise directions to destinations. There is a GPS for them, too. There are several models on the GPS market that are made specifically for vehicles. Most of them have maps of North America stored in them with upgrades available on the Internet. Many of them have features which let you type in an address and will provide directions the entire way there, as well as allow you

to search for nearby places such as gas stations, hospitals, restaurants and much more.

If you are not interested in any of these features, imagine being able to have much of the same technology at your fingertips just by looking at your cell phone or PDA. Many of the major wireless providers have phones which can be programmed as a GPS, so that no matter where you are, you will never be lost.

A decade ago most people probably would have thought, “What’s the need for something like that?” With the advances in GPS technology in recent years and the expanding market for GPS products, it would not be surprising if in the near future most people ask how they ever lived without one.

Still not convinced a GPS would do you any good? Just remember that the next time you are in a new city fighting with a folding map the size of your windshield. There is a much easier, more efficient way to get around.

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Information from http://www.globalsat.com.tw/eng/product_detail_00000028.htm

Tech, briefly

Facebook, the next potential fortune

Facebook.com creator Mark Zuckerberg is debating whether to sell the popular networking site or to keep building his empire.

Facebook could have a \$100 million dollar selling profit that has caused Zuckerberg to hold out on selling the Web site.

According to CNN.com, Mark Zuckerberg said, “We clearly have a bias toward building than selling,” Zuckerberg said in a recent interview. “We think there is a lot more to unlock here.”



Google, Gmail consolidation hits bumps

Google wants to consolidate Gmail globally, but China is refusing to sell the domain name www.Gmail.cn.

The domain name is owned by a Chinese-based Internet domain registrar.

However, many domain names with the phrase “gmail” are available for purchase around the world.

The reason why Google wants to consolidate the two names is to stay competitive with other Internet giants such as Yahoo, Inc.



Microsoft keeps Mac users from Vista

Microsoft, Inc. is keeping Mac users from using the new Windows Vista. Microsoft says that the main reason is for security issues.

Mac users can switch back and forth between Mac OS and Windows Vista easier, because both companies use the same chips made by Intel Co. Using two programs is called virtualization.

However, some critics are saying that the reason is not security, but business.



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RateMyProfessors.com

Plenty of students have heard of this one and so have plenty of professors. RateMyProfessors allows students to do just that, rate their professors. You can rate them on helpfulness, clarity, easiness and even hotness. While the ratings are not statistically accurate (which the site clearly notes), they represent the opinions of students who have previously taken the course and can help you decide if the professor’s teaching style will suit you. Most

everyone can think of a course they took despite their friend’s warning about the professor and later regretted. Now, you can avoid this for most all your classes as a good number of UTM professors are rated.

Wikipedia.org

Most of us have heard that Wikipedia should not be used as a source, well it shouldn’t. But that doesn’t mean it should be discounted completely. The majority of articles are spot on. More importantly, they reference their

Review: Crackdown for Xbox 360

Rachel Rogers
A&E Editor

If you ever dreamed of taking to the streets and taking the law into your own hands, then now is your chance.

In Crackdown, you play as a genetically altered clone who works for an organization known simply as the Agency. You can choose a number of different avatars, including a pale Goth and a Russian. As you progress through the game and level up, your chosen avatar will change appearance.

The purpose of the game is to curb the violence that has overrun the city. It has become too much for the law-enforcing Peacekeepers to handle. With limited abilities you are sent out into Pacific City to take down three separate gangs.

One of the best points of the game is that when you gain more and more points, you are able to do a multitude of tasks. For example, as your strength levels up, you find yourself able to lift objects such as trucks and throw them long distances. Your increased agility allows you to jump to higher points in the city, which allows you to reach strategic advantage points. Also, you can level up your driving, firearm and explosive skills.

The game is short. You

only have three gangs to beat. Granted, there are seven leaders per gang that have to be taken down, but this can be down in just a matter of days. And there is almost no replay value, as you can simply switch characters and they will all be at the same level.

The saving point of this game is the multitude of mini-quests that you can participate in, such as footraces and street races. This will help you to up your agility and driving skills. The Agency vehicles also provide some interest to the game. Most of the other vehicles are useful only as weapons, once you’ve leveled up enough to pick them up and throw them.

The one reason that you’ll find this game difficult to locate in stores is the fact that it contains the Halo 3 beta. Granted, you have to have Xbox Live Gold to be able to play it, but some people are finding the \$60 worth spending just to get a sneak peek at the new Halo game, which is scheduled for release this fall, despite the fact that the game itself is rather disappointing.

All in all, the game itself is worth a rent. It’s great to be able to pick anything up and use as weapon once you’re strength is high enough. But the shortness of it will keep many people from purchasing it.



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Late free throws lift women to victory over rival Racers

First-round game to be played today at Morehead State

Brad Hurt
Sports Editor

With the game on the line and the game's leading scorer knocked out by an injury, substitute Jennifer Angler stepped into a high-pressure situation and calmly netted a pair of free throws to give the host Skyhawks a 52-50 win over the league-leading Murray State Racers on Saturday.

The win improved the Skyhawks' record to 16-13 overall and evened their conference mark at 10-10. More importantly it cemented their postseason destiny as the No. 6 seed in the conference tournament, which begins tonight at various campus sites. The Skyhawks will travel to face No. 3 seed Morehead State tonight at 6 p.m.

Although Murray State entered the game tied for first place in the conference with Southeast Missouri State, the Skyhawks refused to be intimidated. Besides their post-season fate, they also faced the added pressure of extending their home winning streak.

In the first half it appeared that the Skyhawks would have no trouble with the Racers as they pulled away to a surprising lead. They led throughout the half and held their largest advantage at nine points on three different occasions during the half.

Instead, the Skyhawks found themselves in a tough battle with their border rivals as the Racers rallied to tie the game on several occasions.

"We got a little rattled in the second-half, but recovered and it ended well for us tonight," said Skyhawk head coach Tara Tansil. "We have such a home advantage here at the Elam Center and it helped tonight. This crowd really does it for us and makes Skyhawk Arena a place no one wants to come play."

The Skyhawks survived the loss of the focal point of their offense this season as senior post player Andreika Jackson suffered a season-ending knee injury during conference play. Faced with this setback the team found alternative sources of offense and fought hard to stay in the thick of the OVC postseason race.

The win also gave the Skyhawks a sense of payback for the 67-59 loss they suffered to the Racers earlier this season.

The Skyhawks entered the 2006-07 season with an optimistic outlook. Despite the bitter taste that remained in their mouths from a disappointing 2005-06 campaign that saw them exit the OVC tournament in the first round for the second consecutive year, the Skyhawks retained hopes that this season would bring a turnaround.

The team got off to a promising start by winning five of its first six games, including a road win over the University of Memphis. The Skyhawks gained experience on both the winning and losing side of close games, grabbing consecutive one-point wins at home over Texas A & M-Corpus Christi and Dayton and losing on the road to St. Louis. Those games proved to be beneficial to the team as they grinded through the challenging OVC schedule.

A match up with the Tennessee Lady Vols, coached by former Skyhawk star Pat Summitt provided the Skyhawks with the chance to play in a high-pressure situation. Although they suffered a resounding 85-29 loss in the Dec. 5 game, the Skyhawks learned lessons in that game that they could apply to the rest of their season schedule.

The Skyhawks began the OVC portion of their schedule with varying results but eventually found a stabilizing factor in the comfort of their home court. By beginning a dominant run at the Elam Center, which currently stands at nine, the Skyhawks kept pace in the OVC race, running in the top half of the standings throughout the season.

Just after the new year, the Skyhawks put together a three-game winning streak in OVC contests against Samford, Tennessee State and Eastern Illinois that pulled them above the .500 mark in conference play.

Men vs. Murray

Cleve Woodfork left the Elam Center crowd with one final solid performance as the Skyhawk men closed out a disappointing 2006-07 season with an overall record of 8-23 and an OVC mark of 5-15.

Woodfork registered 15 points and five rebounds in his final appearance in a Skyhawk uniform in the team's 74-52 loss to the visiting Murray State Racers on Saturday.

The Skyhawks fell behind in the first half as they struggled from the field once again. In what seemed to be a pattern throughout the season the Skyhawks shot 30 percent from the floor for the game, including only 29 percent in the second half. Their percentage suffered as a result of numerous misses from close range and a 2-of-18 performance from three-point range. The team failed to record a three-point success on six attempts in the second half.

The Skyhawks also struggled at the free throw line, shooting 61 percent for the game. The Racers, on the other hand, sizzled at the charity stripe, knocking down 73 percent of their attempts, including an 8-of-9 mark in the first half.

The Skyhawks' missed opportunities spelled their doom in the first half as the Racers began to pull away. The Skyhawks found a way to keep the deficit under ten points before the break and entered the locker rooms facing a 32-24 deficit.

Despite the halftime break, the Skyhawks found that reversing the tide of the game would be a tough task. Within the first five minutes of the half, the Racers extended the lead to 40-25 and deflated the home crowd.

Will Lewis and Zerek Knight produced a mini-run that once again pulled the Skyhawks within single digits with 13:30 remaining in the game but the brief run failed to produce any long-lasting momentum for the home team.

The men's struggles began early in the season as they searched for offensive replacements for the departed Jeremy Kelly and Jared Newson, who provided most of the team's offense in 2005-06.

Following a season-opening win over High Point in the Cincinnati Tournament, the Skyhawks dropped their next seven games.

The team took a trip to Hawaii over Christmas break to face the Warriors of the University of Hawaii. While the weather outside the arena was surely delightful, the Skyhawks found the conditions inside to be less desirable as they fell to the host school by a 66-53 score.

That game began a three-game road swing for the Skyhawks that included their first two OVC contests of

the 2007 calendar year.

The Skyhawks' first win of the calendar year came in the form of their first OVC win of the season over Tennessee State on Jan. 6.

The highlight of the season came when senior center Cleve Woodfork reached the 1,000-point plateau for his career. Woodfork provided the team with a consistent offensive weapon in the low post.

The team will say goodbye to Woodfork, along with five other seniors, as they take to the court for the 2007-08 season.

2006-07 Skyhawk Men's Basketball

8-23 overall record

5-15 Ohio Valley Conference



Trevor Ruszkowski/ UTM Sports Information

Skyhawk post player Crystal Fuller goes up for a shot over the outstretched arm of a Murray State defender during Saturday's game. Fuller shared honors as the game's high scorer with teammate Phyllisha Mitchell, finishing the game with 19 points. Each posted a double-double in the game as Mitchell pulled down an amazing total of 19 rebounds and Fuller collected 10 boards. The Skyhawks swiped a 62-60 victory from the OVC-leading Racers when Jennifer Angler nailed a pair of free throws in the place of an injured Fuller with five seconds remaining in the game. The Skyhawks face Morehead State at 6 p.m. tonight in an OVC first round game in Morehead, Ky.

2007 OVC Basketball Tournament Brackets

Today (Feb. 27)
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Friday, March 2
@ Gaylord Entertainment Center, Nashville

Saturday, March 3

Game 1 -- 7 p.m. CT No. 1 SEMO vs. No. 8 Austin Peay



The Redhawks are the 2007 OVC regular season champions. They finished with a 21-7 overall record and a 16-4 mark in conference play. This matchup seems lopsided with SEMO being the conference leader in scoring and rebounds. They are also riding a six-game win streak. Four players average double figures in scoring, led by Missy Whitney's 13.4 PPG. Lachelle Lyles is averaging an astounding 17.3 rebounds per game which is the second highest season average in OVC history. One of SEMO's four losses came at APSU back on Jan. 13. The Lady Govs won by 15 points. This will be an interesting first-round game.



Game 5* Noon CT

*The bracket pairing that includes the highest remaining seed among quarterfinal winners plays in Game 5

Game 2 -- 7 p.m. CT No. 4 Samford vs. No. 5 Tennessee Tech



Samford is red hot going into the OVC Tournament, winning six of its last seven games. They have a solid 17-12 overall record and stand at 12-8 in conference play. Alex Munday is the team's leading scorer, averaging 13.8 points per game. The Golden Eagles are led by Kendall Cavin who averages 14.1 points per game. These two teams split the regular-season series, with each team winning at home. It is good for Samford that they earned a first-round home game. Tech is 2-14 on the road this season.



Game 7 3 p.m. CST (CSTV -- Same-day delay)

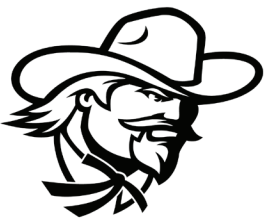
Winner of this game is an automatic NCAA qualifier



Game 3 -- 5:30 p.m. CT No. 2 Murray State vs. No. 7 Eastern Kentucky



The Lady Racers are the highest scoring team in the OVC this season, averaging 72.7 points per game. The high scoring attack starts with Joi Scott. Scott is averaging a conference-leading 21.7 points per game and adds 8.5 rebounds per game. MSU swept the season series over EKV. Both games were double-digit wins for the Lady Racers. The Lady Colonels have a scoring threat of their own in Crystal Jones who averages 16.4 points per game. Jones is coming off an OVC Newcomer of the Week performance.



Game 6 2 p.m. CT

(or 25 minutes after Game 5)

Game 4 -- 6 p.m. CT No. 3 Morehead State vs. No. 6 UTM



UTM is coming off a thrilling 62-60 win over rival Murray State to end the regular season. They won the first game of the Morehead State series 73-57, but lost by 20 points on the road against the Lady Eagles. Phyllisha Mitchell is the Skyhawks' leading scorer and rebounder (12 PPG, 9.2 RPG). Crystal Fuller earned OVC Player of the Week for her Murray State performance. Both Fuller and Mitchell scored 19 points against the Lady Racers. LaKrisha Brown leads the Lady Eagles' attack. The Skyhawks are trying to reach the semifinals of the OVC Tournament for the first time since 2003.



Equestrians come up short against defending national champs

Jason Bohanan
Distribution Manager

Try as they might, the Skyhawk women's equestrian team couldn't ride shotgun with the Auburn Tigers Sunday.

UTM's newest varsity team lost 13-4 to the defending national champion Tigers in the program's first head-to-head competition on the road.

"Some of the scores across horses were pretty close. For our first time out I'm sure we did a good job," head coach Meghan

Cunningham said. "Our mental mistakes are the difference between winning and losing right now. It's the little things we need to fix."

Individually, freshman Michelle Thompson, a hunt seat rider from Winter Haven, Fla., was named MVP for the equestrian over fences contest.

"I could have done better, I think, but I'm not upset. We had some mistakes



Cunningham

while junior Emily Parker and sophomore Amanda Weedon won horsemanship contests.

"I think for our first year we're doing really well considering the teams we're

going against are seasoned veterans," Weedon said. "In horsemanship I was happy with my maneuvers."

Riders' scores were compared only with their competitor on the same horse, with the rider with the highest score receiving one point. Riders were judged on four events in two categories, hunt seat, or English, and western.

The hunt seat category included the hunt seat equitation contest, which tests riders' form and ability, and the equitation over

fences contest, which features predetermined over-fence maneuvers. The western category included the horsemanship contest, which is similar to hunt seat equitation, and the reigning contest, which tests riders in stopping, sliding and spinning.

Judges for the hunt seat category were from the U.S. Equestrian Foundation, while western category judges represented the American Quarter Horse Association.

Despite the Skyhawks' limited success Sunday,

Cunningham likes how the team has progressed.

"I'm very pleased with our performances. We're staying competitive and we're really ahead of the game," Cunningham said.

"Each year we'll recruit and get better and better and better. It's the little mistakes that keep us from being on the winning side."

The team's next competition is this weekend in Fresno, Calif., where they will face Fresno State, Southern Methodist, Texas Christian and South Dakota State.

Skyhawk softball falls to Louisiana-Lafayette at tourney

UTM Sports Information

The UTM softball team advanced to pool play of the Northwestern State Invitational tournament on Sunday where they defeated host Northwestern State 7-5.

The win earned the Skyhawks a spot in the championship game against Louisiana-Lafayette who is ranked No. 9 in the country.

In the championship game, UTM had its opportunities, but was unable to capitalize when it was needed to knock off the Ragin' Cajuns.

Sophomore hurler Ashley Myatt tossed three innings in the championship game before being relieved by Kara Harper who pitched the Skyhawks earlier match-up with Louisiana-Lafayette.

Tied 1-1 going into the third inning, Louisiana-Lafayette utilized a pair of Skyhawk errors to gain a 6-1 advantage on the scoreboard. Vallie Gaspard reached on an error to lead off the third. After a pop fly out, back-to-back Ragin' Cajun batters reached base on walks to load the bases with only one out.

The second Skyhawk error allowed Desi Chatman to reach first and Gaspard score what would eventually become the winning run. A Melissa Verde triple cleared the bases and put Louisiana-Lafayette on top 5-1. Verde would tack on an additional run in the third inning when she scored on

a Meagan Godwin ground out to Skyhawk shortstop Laura Roberts.

With Harper on in relief for Myatt, the Ragin' Cajuns added three more runs to set their lead at 9-1, which would eventually become the final margin of victory.

"Louisiana-Lafayette is a very good team and it is easy to see why they are ranked No. 14 in the country," said Skyhawk head coach Donley Canary. "We had our opportunities early, but were not able to take advantage."

"Our mistakes cost us, but overall it was an excellent learning opportunity for our young team. Being tested like this early in the year will help us down the road when we get into conference play."

Myatt finished the contest with three innings pitched and three strikeouts. She was credited with the loss, dropping her record to 3-2 on the season. Brittany Cuevas remained undefeated for Louisiana-Lafayette, picking up win 11 on the season.

To reach the championship game of the NSU Invitational, UTM had to defeat host Northwestern State in the first-round of pool play.

The Skyhawks downed NSU 7-5, thanks in large part to a five-run fifth inning.

Ashley Benbow finished a perfect 2-for-2 at the plate, knocking in five



Canary

the junior into eighth-place in the Skyhawk career record books, behind Myatt who moved into seventh place with 141 career strikeouts.

The Skyhawk softball team will return to action this weekend when they travel to Chattanooga for the UT Chattanooga Panera Bread Classic. UTM will look to continue building on its early season success as it faces host UT Chattanooga, University of Illinois-Chicago, Oakland, Toledo and Mississippi State during the weekend tournament.

"Next weekend we have another tournament packed with tough competition that has been nationally ranked and to the NCAA tournament, it will be another good test for our young team," Canary said.

"I am pleased with the way our young players are contributing early in the year and it makes me optimistic about our chances when we get to the conference schedule."

runs, while Savannah Roberts went 3-of-4 at the dish to knock in one run and score a run. Ashton Strode tossed 4.1 innings to collect the win and improve her season mark to 2-2. Strode allowed only four hits and struck out four.

The four strikeouts against NSU gave Strode 134 in her career, moving

Baseball splits doubleheader with Bradley in home opener

The Skyhawk baseball team opened the home portion of its 2007 slate splitting a doubleheader Sunday afternoon with Bradley University. The Skyhawks dropped the opener 14-8, but won the second game 3-2.

"It's always special to win here at home," said head coach Bubba Cates.

Senior Chadwick Cameron inherited a runner in the top of the seven inning and threw two wild pitches before settling down to strike out the side and earn his first save of the season in the second game of the doubleheader.

Cameron saved the game for senior Ryan Rockholt who evened his record at 1-1 on the year. Rockholt pitched six innings and gave up one earned run, while striking out five. He scattered six hits.

At the plate, senior shortstop Lance Renton hit a solo home run in the third inning and drew a bases loaded walk in the sixth inning to plate the game-winning run. Senior Scott McLean went 2-for-2 at the

plate and drove in the first run of the game with a single in the second inning.

In the first game, Bradley roughed up five Skyhawk pitchers and piled up 18 hits and 14 runs. Senior Ryan Curry led the Bradley effort with a two-run home run and a two-run double.

The second baseman was 3-for-4 at the plate with five RBI and three runs scored. Brad Jones and Dan Brewer also had three hits each for the Braves.

Junior Chris Rezabek had three hits and two RBI for the Skyhawks, while junior Kyle Dudley went 2-for-4 with a double and a home run. Senior Douglas Nico-demus also went 2-for-4 at the plate.

Dudley hit a three-run home run in the bottom of the seventh inning to cut Bradley's lead to 14-8 and give the Skyhawks the momentum for the second game.

The Skyhawks, now 1-4 on the year, return to action Tuesday when they play at Memphis and Wednesday when they host Southern Illinois-Carbondale.

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